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ORIGIN Field (Dallas) OFFICE Dallas, Texas FILE NO. CO-2-34030

TYPE OF CASE	STATUS	TITLE OR CAPTION
Protective Research	Continued	Assassination of President Kennedy Officer J. D. Tippit
INVESTIGATION MADE AT Dallas, Texas	PERIOD COVERED 12/9 and 10/63	
INVESTIGATION MADE BY Special Agent Edward E. Moore		

DETAILS

SYNOPSIS

Autopsy report obtained from Dr. Earl F. Rose. Officer Tippit was hit with four shots. However, only three of the shots penetrated. The fourth shot did not penetrate as it evidently struck a button on the officer's coat. The three bullets recovered from the body of Officer Tippit were turned over to the Police Crime Lab. Dr. Rose said that it appeared to him that one of the bullets would be satisfactory for ballistics comparisons.

DETAILS OF INVESTIGATION

Reference is made to previous reports in this case.

On December 9, 1963 I called at the County Medical Officer's office, Parkland Memorial Hospital, Dallas, Texas, and interviewed Earl F. Rose, M.D., County Medical Officer, Dallas County, Texas. A copy of the autopsy report on Officer J. D. Tippit was requested at that time but Dr. Rose stated that he did not have his report ready as yet, but that he would have it completed and I would be able to obtain a copy on December 10, 1963.

Dr. Rose informed me at that time that the officer was hit with four shots but that only three of the bullets penetrated and the fourth bullet apparently hit a button on the officer's coat and this kept it from penetrating the body. When the examination was performed, three bullets were removed from the body and turned over to the Police Crime Lab. (These are now in the possession of the FBI).

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It is the opinion of Dr. Rose that one of the bullets will be suitable for ballistics comparisons.

On December 10, 1963 I called at the office of Dr. Rose and obtained a copy of his autopsy report on Officer J. D. Tippit. The report shows that three of the bullets hit Tippit in the chest and the other bullet hit his head.

In Dr. Rose's report he states that the bullet which caused the No. 4 wound was not recovered by him. In SA Warner's report dated 12-1-63 he states that a statement was obtained from Officer R. A. Davenport, Dallas Police Department, concerning the recovery of a .38 caliber projectile from the stomach of Officer Tippit after Officer Tippit was pronounced DOA at Methodist Hospital.

A copy of the autopsy report is attached for Chief's Office.

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